

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated December 13, 2005, claims 2-7 and 9-12 are pending. Claims 4 and 10 are allowed. Claims 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 and 12 are rejected. Claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph for lack of antecedent basis. Claims 2, 3, 5, 9 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,958,343 to Abramovici, *et al.* (hereinafter “Abramovici”). Claims 7 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly obvious over the combination of Abramovici and U.S. Patent No. 5,696,817 to Yatsu (hereinafter “Yatsu”). Claims 2, 3, and 7 are objected to.

This response addresses each of the Examiner’s rejections and objections. Applicants therefore respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

Via this Amendment Claims 2, 3 and 9 have been cancelled. Claims 5, 6, 7, 11 and 12 have been amended. No new matter has been added via this Amendment.

Applicants have amended Claim 7 to correct the improper English. Claims 7 and 12 have been amended to include the independent power supply of the present invention. This feature is not disclosed or suggested by the combination of Abramovici and Yatsu.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that Claim 6 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

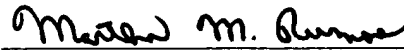
Claim 6 has been amended accordingly. Specifically, claims 4, 5 and 11, respectively have been combined to include the features of claim 6.

Therefore, it is submitted that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 112, second paragraph, 102(b) and 103(a), are overcome. Withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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